# Event Argument Extraction (DRAFT), March 7, 2014

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## Goal

The Event Argument Extraction task at NIST TAC KBP 2014 aims to extract information about entities (and times) and the role they play in an event. The extracted information should be suitable as input to a knowledge base. As such, participating systems will extract tuples that include (EventType, Role, Argument). EventType and Role will be drawn from an externally specified ontology. Arguments will be strings from within a document representing the canonical (most-specific) name or description of the entity.

While this task does not require the reification of events (or linking the different arguments of an event), systems developed for this task will support KB-queries that link entities to participation in an event-for example "List ORGANIZATIONs with a PURCHASER role"). When combined with other KBP technologies (i.e. slot-filling and entity-linking), more complex, multi-hop queries are possible-- for example, "List ORGANIZATIONs with MEMBERs who have served as an ATTACKER".

This is a new task in 2014 and will be evaluated in English only. In 2015, we expect to extend to additional TAC languages and add an evaluation of a system's ability to reify events and connect their arguments.

EventType Role

ArgumentString Realis

### Task

The world's most Transferpowerful fine art OTHER Giver Money auction houses The world's most powerful fine art auction houses, Transfer-OTHER Giver Sotheby's Sotheby's and Christie's, have agreed to pay 40 million Money Transferdollars to settle an international price-fixing scam, Giver Christie's OTHER Money Sotheby's said. The payment, if approved by the courts, Transfer-Money 40 million dollars OTHER would settle a slew of suits by clients over auctions held Money Sue Defendant Sotheby's between 1993 and 2000 .... Sue Plaintiff clients ACTUAL In December 2001, a Manhattan jury convicted Convict Defendant Alfred Taubman ACTUAL Sotheby's main shareholder and former chairman Alfred Convict Place Manhattan ACTUAL Taubman of entering into a price-fixing agreement with Convict Adjudicator a Manhattan jury ACTUAL entering into a Christie's. Four months later, the billionaire was ACTUAL Convict Crime price-fixing sentenced to one year in prison and a 7.5-million-dollar agreement fine over the price-fixing, which prosecutors said had Time 2001-12 ACTUAL Convict cost clients of both firms 400 million dollars. Sentence Defendant Alfred Taubman ACTUAL Sentence Sentence one year in prison ACTUAL 7.5-million-dollar ACTUAL Sentence Sentence fine

FIGURE 1: DOCUMENT TEXT WITH TABLE OF EVENTTYPE, ARGUMENT EXTRACTIONS

Systems will be given a 500-1,000 document corpus and asked to extract instances of arguments that play a role in some event. Figure 1 illustrates the input and output for a short passage. The event-taxonomy, which specifies extractable event-types and argument-roles<sup>1</sup> appears in Table 1 Systems will need to identify resolved ArgumentStrings, i.e. if a mention can be resolved to a name, the ArgumentString should be the name, if the mention cannot be resolved to a name (e.g. "three police officers"), systems should return a specific nominal phrase.

# **Event Taxonomy**

A system will be assessed its performance at extracting event-arguments as described in the tables below. The event and event-specific roles (argument types) are listed in Table 1. All events can also have a TIME and PLACE argument. Only certain entity types are valid for each role. Table 2 lists the valid entity-types per-role.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The taxonomy is based on the taxonomy developed for ACE 2005

Event Type	ARG1	ARG2	ARG3	ARG4	ARG5
Business.Declare-Bankruptcy	Org				
Business.Merge-Org	Org	Org			
Conflict.Attack	Attacker	Target	Instrument		
Conflict.Demonstrate	Entity[2]				
Contact.Meet	Entity[3]	Entity[3]			
Contact.Phone-Write	Entity[3]	Entity[3]			
Life.Marry	Person	Person			
Life.Divorce	Person	Person			
Life.Injure	Agent[1]	Victim	Instrument		
Life.Die	Agent[1]	Victim	Instrument		
Movement.Transport	Agent[1]	Artifact[1]	Vehicle	Price[2]	Origin, Destination
Personnel.Start-Position	Person	Entity[1]	Position		
Personnel.End-Position	Person	Entity[1]	Position		
Personnel.Nominate	Agent[2]	Person	Position		
Personnel.Elect	Entity[3]	Person	Position		
Transaction.Transfer- Ownership	Seller	Buyer	Beneficiary	Price[1]	Artifact[2]
Transaction.Transfer-Money	Giver	Recipient	Beneficiary	Money[1]	
Justice.Arrest-Jail	Agent[1]	Person			Crime
Justice.Release-Parole	Entity[3]	Person			Crime
Justice.Trial-Hearing	Prosecutor	Adjudicator	Defendant		Crime
Justice.Sentence	Adjudicator	Defendant	Sentence		Crime
Justice.Fine	Adjudicator	Entity[3]		Money[2]	Crime
Justice.Charge-Indict	Prosecutor	Adjudicator	Defendant		Crime
Justice.Sue	Plaintiff	Adjudicator	Defendant		Crime
Justice.Extradite	Agent[1]	Person	Origin	Destination	Crime
Justice.Acquit	Adjudicator	Defendant			Crime
Justice.Convict	Adjudicator	Defendant			Crime
Justice.Appeal	Prosecutor	Adjudicator	Defendant		Crime
Justice.Execute	Agent[1]	Person			Crime
Justice.Pardon	Adjudicator	Defendant			Crime

TABLE 1: EVENT TYPES AND ARGUMENT ROLES. TIME AND PLACE ARE VALID ARGUMENT ROLES FOR ALL EVENT TYPES. NUMBERS IN [] DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ROLE LABELS FOR WHICH THE SAME ROLE-LABEL IS ASSIGNED DIFFERENT VALID ENTITY TYPES IN TABLE 2

Role	tole Valid Entity Types		Valid Entity Types	Role	Valid Entity Types
Adjudicator	PER, ORG, GPE	Entity[1]	ORG, GPE	Position	JOB
Agent[1]	PER, ORG, GPE	Entity[2]	PER, ORG	Price[1]	MONEY
Agent[2]	PER, ORG, GPE, FAC	Entity[3]	PER, ORG, GPE	Price[2]	NUM
Artifact[1]	PER, WEA, VEH	Giver	PER, ORG, GPE	Prosecutor	PER, ORG, GPE
Artifact[2]	VEH, WEA, FAC, ORG	Instrument	WEA, VEH	Recipient	PER, ORG, GPE
Attacker	PER, ORG, GPE	Money[1]	MONEY	Seller	PER, ORG, GPE
Beneficiary	PER, ORG, GPE	Money[2]	NUM	Sentence	SENTENCE
Buyer	PER, ORG, GPE	Org	ORG	Target	PER, ORG, VEH, FAC, WEA
Crime	CRIME	Origin	GPE, LOC, FAC	Vehicle	VEH
Defendant	PER, ORG, GPE	Person	PER	Victim	PER

Destination	GPE, LOC, FAC	Plaintiff	PER, ORG, GPE		
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TABLE 2: VALID ENTITY TYPES FOR EACH ROLE

# **System Output**

System output files should be in UTF-8 with one file per document per system. Each response should be given on a single lines using the tab-separated columns below. Completely blank lines and lines with '#' as the first character (comments) are allowable and will be ignored.

Column	Source	Column Name/Description	Values
#			
1	System	Response ID	32-bit signed integer
			(-2^31 to 2^31-1),
			unique within each
			file
2	System	DocID	
3	System	EventType	From ACE Taxonomy
			see Table 1
4	System	Role	From ACE Taxonomy
	,		see Table 1
5	System	Normalized/canonical argument string (CAS)	String
6	System	Offsets for the source of the CAS.	Mention-length
			offset span
7	System	Predicate Justification (PJ). This is a list the offsets of text snippets	Set of unrestricted <sup>2</sup>
		which together establish (a) that an event of the specified type	offset spans
		occurred, and (b) that there is some filler given in the document for	
		the specified role. We will term the filler proven to fill this role the	
		<b>base filler</b> . If the justifications prove there are multiple fillers (e.g. "John and Sally flew to New York"), which is to be regarded as the	
		base filler for this response will be disambiguated by column 8. The	
		provided justification strings should be sufficient to establish (a) and	
		(b). "Justifications which include spans not needed to establish (a)	
		and (b) will be marked inexact. However, if the number of	
		unnecessary supporting sentences is extreme or inconvenient for	
		annotation, the annotators will ignore this instance (causing it to be	
		counted wrong for purposes of scoring)." Note that the task of the	
		predicate justification is only to establish that there is a filler for the	
8	System	role, not that the CAS is the filler for the role	Montion longth
٥	System	<b>Base Filler (BF).</b> This is the base filler referred to in 7.	Mention-length
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> An unrestricted offset span may always be as long as a sentences without being assessed too long, even if a shorter span is available.

			offset span
9	System	Additional Argument Justification(AJ). If the relationship between the base filler and the CAS is identity coreference, this must be the empty set. Otherwise, this must contain as many spans (but no more) as are necessary to establish that CAS filling the role of the event may be inferred from the base filler filling the role of the event. One example of such an inference will arguments derived through member-of/part-of relations.	Set of Unrestricted offsets
10	System	Realis Label	{ACTUAL, GENERIC, OTHER}
11	System	Confidence Score. In the range [0-1], with higher being more confident. In some scoring regimes, the confidence will be used to select between redundant system responses. If necessary due to the short-assessment time frame, confidence may also be used to select those responses to assess (e.g. assessing a system's top N responses).	[0-1]

TABLE 3: COLUMNS IN SYSTEM OUTPUT

# **Offset Calculation and Formatting**

As in TAC KBP SlotFilling, each document is represented as a UTF-8 character array and begins with the "<DOC>" tag, where the "<" character has index 0 for the document. Thus, offsets are counted before XML tags are removed. In general, start-end offset spans in columns 6 to 8 are inclusive on both ends: the start offset must be the index of the first character in the corresponding string, and end offset must be the index of the last character of the string (therefore, the length of the corresponding mention string is endoffset – startoffset + 1).

Start and end offsets should be separated by a dash ("-") with no surrounding spaces and pairs of start/end offsets for different mentions should be separated by comma (",") with no surrounding spaces. For example, for the above query, if "yesterday" appears at offset 200 in the document and the document date appears at offset 20, then a valid entry for Column 5 in this case would be: 200-208,20-32 (assuming the endoffset for the document date is 32).

## **Canonical Argument String**

Canonical Argument Strings will be one of the following:

- A string that reflects the fullest/most informative name of a PER, ORG, GPE, FAC, WEA, VEH, LOC
  in the document
  - Assessments will follow the TAC KBP-Slot Filling guidelines for Name Slots (section 2.1 of http://surdeanu.info/kbp2013/TAC\_KBP\_2013\_Assessment\_Guidelines\_V1.3.pdf)

- A string that reflects a nominal that cannot be resolved to a name for a PER, ORG, GPE, FAC,WEH, VEH, or LOC
- A normalized specific-date/time (in progress)
  - As in TAC KBP-SlotFilling, dates must be normalized. Systems have to normalize document text strings to standardized month, day, and/or year values, following the TIMEX2 format of yyyy-mm-dd (e.g., document text "New Year's Day 1985" would be normalized as "1985-01-01"). If a full date cannot be inferred using document text and metadata, partial date normalizations are allowed using "X" for the missing information. For example:
    - May 4th" would be normalized as "XXXX-05-04";
    - "1985" would be normalized as "1985-XX-XX";
    - "the early 1900s" would be normalized as "19XX-XX-XX" (note that there is no aspect of the normalization that captures the "early" part of the filler).
    - "the third week of June 2005" as "2005-06-XX"
    - "the third week of 2005" may be returned as either "2005-XX-XX" or "2005-01-XX".
- A string-fill for CRIME, SENTENCE, JOB, MONEY

# **Marking of Realis**

Each (EventType, Role, ArgumentString) tuple should be augmented with a marker of Realis: ACTUAL, GENERIC, or OTHER.

ACTUAL will be used when the event actually happened with the ArgumentString playing the role as reported in the tuple. For this evaluation, ACTUAL will also include those tuples that are reported/attributed to some source (e.g. Some sources said....., Joe claimed that.....)

GENERIC will be used for (EventType, Role, ArgumentString) tuples which refer to the event/argument in general and not a specific instance (e.g. Weapon sales to terrorists are a problem)

OTHER will be used for (EventType, Role, ArgumentString) tuples in which either the event itself or the argument did not actually occur. This will include failed events, denied participation, future events, and conditional statements.

If either GENERIC or OTHER could apply to an event (e.g. a negated generic), GENERIC should be used.

# **Inference and World Knowledge**

In the KBP Event Argument Extraction task, assessors will be instructed to mark an answer as correct if a reasonable reader would interpret the document as evidence that the (EventType, Role,

ArgumentString, Realis) tuple is correct. They will do this even if such a judgment is derived through inference rather than, for example, a direct linguistic connection between an event-trigger and an argument. For purposes of this evaluation, systems should infer **argument participation** through links between events; however they should not infer the **occurrence** of one event from another.

### **Inferring Arguments**

Inferences of arguments may include inferring casuality/part-of relations between the verbal-events in a passage, inferring locations through part-of relations, etc—for example inferring the Agent argument of Life.Injure from the Attacker argument of Conflict.Attack. While world-knowledge on its own is not a sufficient reason for a correct answer, such knowledge can contribute to a reasonable reader's assessment. For example, while every instance of a known terrorist group cannot be assumed to be an instance of (Conflict.Attack, Attacker), knowledge that the group has participated in terrorist activities can contribute to a reader's interpretation of vaguely worded text. In such cases, the assessor is instructed to judge "Does this document support the claim of the (EventType, Role, NormalizedArgumentString, Realis) tuple?" Inference about geographical locations (e.g. Cambridge in Massachusetts vs. Cambridge in England) will be assessed using similar guidance.

#### **Invalid Inference of Events from Other Events**

While events can in principle be inferred from other events, for purposes of this evaluation, systems should not infer such events. This does not preclude the same text from itself justifying multiple event types (e.g. *shot* in some contexts triggers both injury and attack). This principle applies to all event types. Some particularly common examples:

- Subtypes of Life (e.g. Life.Marry from Life.Divorce)
- Subtypes of Justice (e.g. Justice.Convict from Justice.Pardon)
- Subtypes of Personnel (e.g. Personnel.Start-Position from Personnel.End-Position)

Do not infer future events from current or past events, relations or states. For example, do not infer (Life.Die, Person, Bob Smith, Other) from statements about Bob Smith's marriage, employment, etc. .

#### **Invalid Inference of Events from States**

The distinction between a stative relation and the event this relation is a consequence of can be tricky. For most events, we rely on the annotator's judgment that an event is explicitly or implicitly described in the text. The following event types require heightened scrutiny: for these, either (a) a valid temporal argument for the event to be inferred must be available or (b) the event must be signaled by textual evidence of the event (and not only the state):

- Life.Marry
- Life.Divorce
- Personnel.Start-Position
- Personnel.End-Position
- Personnel.Nominate
- Personnel.Elect
- Transport.Movement

#### **Examples of blocked events**

- Personnel.Start-Position
  - o ACME spokesman John Smith.
  - o John Smith works for ACME.
- Life.Divorce
  - o Sue and her ex-husband John share custody of their children.
- Transport.Movement
  - o John was born in Boston and went to school in California.

### **Examples of allowed events**

- Personnel.Start-Position events
  - ACME hired John Smith. (explicit textual description)
  - John Smith has worked for ACME since 2005. (DATE)
  - ACME's spokesman since 2005 (DATE)
- Life.Divorce
  - o Sue, John's ex since 2000.... (DATE)
  - o John left his wife Sue. She retained ownership of the house. (textual evidence<sup>3</sup>)
- Movement.Transport
  - Bob went to the airport with no particular destination in mind, and the next day he found himself in Prague. (the event is described in the text itself)
- Justice-Arrest.Jail
  - Bob, an inmate at the county jail... (Justice.Arrest-Jail is not on the list of event types requiring heightened scrutiny. As such, the assessor will assess this in context without heightened scrutiny).

# **Departures from ACE 2005**

While the ACE 2005 event annotation is being provided to all participants, this task diverges from ACE in some cases. One example of divergence is the addition of correct answers derived through inference/world knowledge (see above). This evaluation will treat as correct some cases that were explicitly excluded in ACE 2005.

- EventType, Role, NormalizedArgumentString tuples that a reasonable reader considers correct but are not explicitly signaled in a single sentence. Some examples are as follows, but they are by no means exhaustive:
  - o Inferable arguments (e.g. AGENT, PLACE, TIME, etc.), regardless of whether they appear in sentences where ACE would have marked an event-trigger.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is an example of context being used to interpret what could be seen as ambiguous.

- Arguments that can be inferred through implicit or explicit causality (e.g. the ATTACKER of a Conflict.Attack event also being the AGENT of Life.Die event).
  - This removes the "trumping" conditions between {ATTACK, INJURE, DIE} and {MEET, TRANSPORT, EXTRADITE}.
- Arguments which can be inferred through implicit or explicit relations present in the document. For example, PLACE arguments can be inferred through implicit (or explicit)
   LocatedIn relations in the document.
- For the most part, arguments will be considered valid even independently of the other eventarguments
  - The AGENT/VEHICLE/etc. arguments of a Movement.Transport event are correct even when the ARTIFACT is unspecified (or not a WEAPON, VEHICLE or PERSON); The AGENT/PRICE/etc. arguments of a Transaction.Transfer Ownership is correct even when the ARTIFACT is unspecified or not a WEAPON, VEHICLE or ORGANIZATION).
  - All valid PLACE arguments will be considered correct (e.g. a city, state, and country).
     ACE only marked a single PLACE per 'event-mention'.

## Temporal arguments

- Temporal arguments should be normalized using the subset of timex2 that is valid in slot-filling. (see Error! Reference source not found.). Correct temporal arguments will capture a time during which the event happened/started/ended (i.e. from ACE: TIME-WITHIN, TIME-AT-BEGINNING, TIME-AT-ENDING, TIME-STARTING, TIME-ENDING, but not TIME-BEFORE or TIME-AFTER). Temporal arguments must be resolvable to a time period on the calendar (e.g. September 2005 or the first week of August). Durations (for three months) or times marked by other events (after his trip) are not correct answers. Unlike ACE, we will not distinguish between different types of temporal roles, and all temporal arguments will be marked as TIME.
- In ACE, when a temporal argument might apply to multiple events, it is only marked on the most syntactically local. For this task, that restriction is removed, and temporal arguments are to be marked for all applicable events.

This evaluation also removes three event-types from the ACE taxonomy: Life.Born, Business.Start-Org, Business.End-Org<sup>4</sup>.

# **Corpus**

The corpus will be a mix of newswire and discussion forum documents. The total corpus size will be 500-1,000 documents. A discussion forum document may contain multiple posts. The corpus will be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> These three events are well represented as KB-SlotFilling Slots.

manually and automatically filtered to ensure at least a few instances of all event-types. The discussion-forum posts will be automatically filtered to identify those posts that are not simply reposts of newswire documents. Very long discussion-forum threads will be truncated.

# **Assessment and Evaluation**

Systems will be evaluated on F-Score of (EventType, Role, NormalizedArgumentString, Realis) over the pooled assessments. The assessment pool for each document will include a human-participant. The human-participants submission will be assessed in the same manner as the system submissions.

## **Dimensions of Assessment**

An LDC assessor will mark each system response for correctness. Assessment judgments evaluate the accuracy of the elements of the (EventType, Role, Cannoical Argument, Realis) tuple and of the justification for the EventType, Role, and CannonicalArgument.

Column	Source	Column Name/Description	Values
#			
12	Assessor	Assessment of Event Type (AET). Does the predicate justification (PJ) support the presence of an event of the type specified in column 3? This may be marked NIL if either the PJs or AJs for a response are excessively large. Note that a response may be marked ignore for excessively long AJ, even though the AJ normally does not play a role in evaluating AET.	C – Correct W – Wrong I - inexact –NIL
13	Assessor	Assessment of Role (AR)- Does the predicate justification (PJ) support the presence of who/what/when/where fills the role specified in column 4? (e.g. Can you tell from the predicate justification that some ATTACKER is mentioned for a Conflict.Attack event)? Note that this only has to prove that some filler is supported for this role; not necessarily the CAS (NIL if AET is WRONG or NIL)	C – Correct W – Wrong I - inexact NIL
14	Assessor	Assessment of Normalized/Canonical Argument String. Is the CAS a correct filler for the event-type/role tuple? (NIL if AET or AR is WRONG or NIL)	C – Correct W – Wrong I - inexact NIL
15	Assessor	Assessment of base filler. Is the base filler a correct filler for the event-type/role specified in columns 3 and 4? NIL if AET and/or AR are WRONG or NIL	C – Correct W – Wrong I - inexact NIL
16	Assessor	Assessment of the relation between the base filler and the CAS. If 14 or 15 is WRONG or NIL, this is NIL. Otherwise, if the base filler is identical to the CAS, this shall be marked CORRECT. If the relationship between the base filler and the CAS is coreference, this will be CORRECT if and only if the coreference is CORRECT;	C - Correct W – Wrong NIL

		otherwise WRONG. Otherwise, the annotator must judge if the argument justification strings justify the conclusion that, given that the base filler is a valid filler for this role for this event, so is the CAS (e.g. a membership relationship is proven for an event role which can be transferred from organization members to organizations).	
17	Assessor	Coreference IDs for CAS or NIL if not coreferent with anything	Unique ID (32-bit signed integer) NIL
18	Assessor	Realis Label	{ACTUAL, GENERIC, OTHER} NIL if AET or AR is NIL or WRONG
19	Assessor	Mention-type for CAS	{NAME, NOMINAL}  NIL if AET or AR is  NIL or WRONG

TABLE 4: QUESTIONS OF LDC ASSESSOR TASK

## **Scoring Metric**

- In all cases below, a 'response' is defined as columns 2-8 and 10 of the system output.
- Confidence is not considered part of the response, but confidences are used to define a confidence function *c(x)*.
- Recall the CAS stands for canonical argument string (column 5 of the system response).
- Recall that annotators will indicate coreference relationships between CASES within the same document (column 16 of the annotation). The transitive closure of this coreference relation defines an equivalence relation which we will call C.
- Define the equivalence relation **T** between argument responses so that  $x \sim_T y$  if and only if all of the following are true
  - $\circ \quad x_{document \ id} = y_{document \ id}$
  - $\circ x_{event\ type} = y_{event\ type}$
  - $\circ$   $x_{argument\ role} = y_{argument\ role}$
  - $\circ x_{cas} \sim_{\mathbf{c}} y_{cas}$
  - $\circ$   $x_{realis} = y_{realis}$
- Let **O** be the set of system responses. Define **O'** to be  $\{\rho(X)|X \in \mathbf{O}/\sim_T\}$ , where  $\rho(X)$  is  $\underset{x \in X}{\operatorname{argmax}} c(x)$ . If this maximum is not unique, ties will be broken 'randomly'.
- Let **P** be the union of the system responses of all systems, including the human 'system's'. Note that by definition  $\mathbf{0}' \subseteq \mathbf{P}$ .
- Let **a** be a function from system responses to their annotation tuples.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> By the hash code of the response object in the scorer implementation, which is deterministic but effectively random for our purposes.

- o **a** will be completely defined on **P**.
- Note that since **a** is a function, we assume there are not multiple inconsistent annotations for any response.
- We define an annotation tuple  $\alpha$  to be a good annotation for a response x if none of columns 11-15 of  $\alpha$  are WRONG or IGNORE and  $\alpha_{realis} = x_{realis}$ .
  - o Informally, this means the response is correct except for possible errors regarding the extent of justifications.
- We define an annotation tuple  $\alpha$  to be a *perfect annotation for* a response x if columns 11-15 of  $\alpha$  are CORRECT and  $\alpha_{realis} = x_{realis}$ .
  - o Informally, this means the response is exactly correct.
- We define an equivalence class **X** to be *good* if there exists an  $x \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x)$  is a good annotation for x.
- We define an equivalence class **X** to be *perfect* if there exists an  $x \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x)$  is a perfect annotation for x.
- We define an equivalence class **X** to be *semantically correct* with respect to **P** if **X** is non-empty and there exists  $p \in \mathbf{P}$  such that p is equivalent to the elements of **X** under **T** and  $\alpha(p)$  is a good annotation for p.
  - Informally, this means we have evidence somewhere in the pool that the corresponding
     docid-type-role-CAS-realis tuple is correct, but there may or may not be a matching
     justification in the system output.
- Let *s* ∈ {*good*, *perfect*, *semantically correct*}. Define the *s-precision* of a system's output **O'** as the number of *s* equivalence classes of **O'** under **T** divided by the total number of equivalence classes of **O'** under **T**.
- Let s ∈ {good, perfect, semantically correct}. Define the s-recall of a system's output O' as
  the number of equivalence classes of O' under T which have property s divided by the total
  number of s equivalence classes of P under T.
  - Note the stipulation "which also has property s" is necessary because the responses which have a good or perfect annotation in an equivalence class of P may be missing from the matching equivalence class in O'.
- Let s ∈ {good, perfect, semantically correct}. Define the s-F1 measure of a system's output
   O as <sup>2pr</sup>/<sub>p+r</sub> where p is the s-precision of O' and r is the s-recall of O'.
- The first scoring measure for the task is good-F1, called the **standard** measure.
- The second scoring measure for the tasks is perfect-F1, called the **strict** measure.
- The third scoring measure for the tasks is semantically-correct-F1, called the lax measure.

# **Submissions and Schedule**

#### **Submission**

Systems will have up to one week to process the evaluation documents. Submissions should be fully automatic and no changes should be made to the system once evaluation corpus has been downloaded. Up to five alternative system runs may be submitted per-team. Submitted runs should be ranked according to their expected overall score. Teams should submit at least one version of their system that does not access the web during evaluation. Any web-access of alternative systems should be documented in the system description.

#### Schedule

February 2014	Task definition released. ACE 2005 data released to participants as they sign
	up.
April 1, 2014	LDC releases sample documents (~50) to participants in preparation for pilot
	assessment
April 15 2014	Participants (optionally) submit pilot output to for pilot assessment. Pilot may
	be automatic, manual, or some combination. While participation is not
	required, participants are encouraged to submit output to better understand
	this new task (e.g. receive feedback on the assessment of inference, nominal
	extents, realis).
May 15 <sup>th</sup> 2014	LDC releases the full set of pilot assessment to participants who submitted
	pilot output.
August 11-18 2014	Evaluation Period

# References

ACE 2005 Training Data: <a href="http://catalog.ldc.upenn.edu/LDC2006T06">http://catalog.ldc.upenn.edu/LDC2006T06</a>